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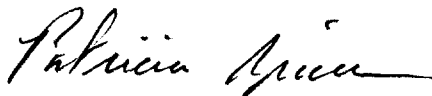
Dear Dr. Henney:

Except for occasionally eating organically grown turkey or chicken, I became a vegetarian several years ago for a variety of reasons. One of them was my perception that commercially produced meat contained antibiotics that could tend to reduce the effectiveness of antibiotic treatment for diseases.

I understand that a ban on this use of antibiotics is still under consideration, despite opposition from agricultural interests. I am surprised that growers, who could suffer from their own practices, should continue to support a hazardous reliance on drugs. Perhaps it is because they represent corporations, not human beings.

Please act in the interest of human consumers as quickly as possible and ban the routine use of antibiotics in farm animals.

Sincerely,

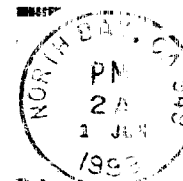


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